

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): It was on the recommendation of the Sanitary Commissioner, that the Government have invited the co-operation of the Rockefeller Foundation. The answer says so.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): The answer does not say whether definite proposals were made before the Government by the Sanitary Commissioner, or the recommendation was simply, the matter has to be considered. I want to know the nature of the recommendation made by the Sanitary Commissioner to the Government.

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): His recommendation was to form a Health Department.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): No definite proposals were made by him as to how the problem has to be investigated.

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): He might have stated some details, but that scheme was not accepted. Government wanted to get further information on the details to be worked out.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether, till now, any investigation was made with regard to this matter either by the Sanitary Commissioner or by any member of the Rockefeller Foundation.

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Two officers of the Foundation visited some places in the State. The Foundation has forwarded a programme of work and as stated in the answer further action will be taken after the arrival of the officers of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Vallikavu-Vavakavu Road.

177. **MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have received any petition from the inhabitants of Perinad and Kulasekharapuram panchayats of the Karunagapalli taluk, praying for gravelling the Vallikavu-Vavakavu road;

(b) if so, what they have done with the petition; and

(c) whether the need for this road was ever the subject of any representation in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly or any interpellation in the Legislative Council?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (a) Yes.

(b) and (c) The subject was represented at the 22nd and 23rd Sessions of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, and the members concerned have been informed that the Government have dropped the idea as the cost is prohibitive.

MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): With reference to answer to parts (b) & (c) I want to know whether Government know that it is necessary for active traffic and communication that the road should be gravelled?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The improvement of the road may be useful. The cost of gravelling is too prohibitive and immediately the road could not be taken up.

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[Mr. T. P. Ramasubba Aiyar.]

There is an estimate for Rs. 20,000/- for the work and a mile costs more than Rs. 10,000/ and this expenditure is not justified by the present condition of the road.

MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Do the Government realise the necessity for a road?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I have answered that.

Contract for the building of the English School for Girls, Mavelikara.

178. MR. REVATINAL RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*): (a) Will the Government be pleased to enquire into and state the reason for splitting up the contract for the Girls' English School building at Mavelikara into two, i. e., foundation, and works above the foundation?

(b) Are they aware:

(i) that, owing to the separation of these two sections, the contractors now demand higher rates for the works above the foundation; and

(ii) that, owing to the splitting up, they have to incur some loss?

(c) Will the Government be pleased to state what action they are going to take against those responsible for bringing about this loss.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (a) It is seen, as a result of enquiry, that the lowest tenderer who tendered for the work happened to be a novice though he had financial competence, and so he was given work up to the basement level as a trial; but he was not prepared to continue the work at his old tendered rates. So fresh tenders had to be invited for the superstructure.

(b) (i) The answer is in the negative.

(ii) There is no loss in the arrangement.

(c) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (b) (ii).

Report of the Unemployment Committee.

179. MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Report of the Unemployment Committee has been acted upon; and, if so, the extent of reduction of the unemployed by such action having been taken upon the Report?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Report of the Unemployment Enquiry Committee is under the consideration of the Government.

Cases in the Kottarakara and Chavara Stationary Magistrates' Courts.

180. MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of cases filed in the Kottarakara and Chavara Stationary Magistrates' Courts and the number of cases filed from the pakuthies of the Kunnattur taluk in the Kottarakara and Chavara Stationary Magistrates' Courts during the three years 1101, 1102 and 1103?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): A statement* containing the information required is laid on the table.

*Vide Appendix VII—page 342.